

REMARKS

The Legal Instruments Examiner issued a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment on January 22, 2004, requesting Applicant to resubmit the amended claims in the Amendment mailed December 30, 2003 and filed January 2, 2004. Applicant submits herewith the amended claims with corrected status identifiers as requested, and requests that the amendment be entered.

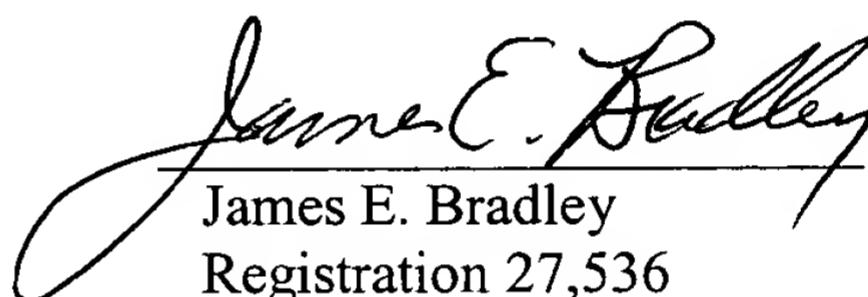
Because an RCE was filed November 25, 2003, the amendment mailed December 30, 2003 was not after a final rejection, thus no fee should be due. However if any fees are due, please charge them to Bracewell & Patterson, L.L.P. deposit account 50-0259. Applicant regrets any inconvenience caused by the wrong status identifiers.

Respectfully submitted,

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